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IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF Art Unit: 1611

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandría, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of July 16, 2009 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on October 16, 2009. A Notice of Appeal was filed on December 16, 2009. Therfore, a petition for a five-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$2350 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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